

**SECRET**

To Present A Review of the Current Status of the

*Air Force*  
**B-2 Program**

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GENERAL INFORMATION

U-2 Single Place, Single Engine Jet Aircraft for long  
range reconnaissance at extreme altitude - Built by  
Lockheed Aircraft Corporation

Using Command - - SAC

Prime Support AMA - - WRAMA

Engine - - - - - J-57-P-37/P31A

Fuel (Special) LF1A 1055 U.S. Gal

1360 U.S. Gal

Design Gross Wt. - - - - -17,750 lbs

Wing Span - - - - - 80 feet

Length - - - - - 49.9 feet

Landing gear - - - - - Bicycle Type, Wing Pogo Sticks

Auto Pilot

No Ejection Seat

Combat Equipment - Varied Photo and Electronics Packages

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**BASIC MISSION PROFILE**

**Descent**

25X1D0e [REDACTED]

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200 N.M.

1500 N.M.

T.O. Wt - - - - - 17,750 lbs  
Engine - - - - - F-37  
Increased Performance - - - - - F-37

Cruise Out/Back Military Power - - - - 425 Kts  
Mission Time - - - - - 8 Hrs  
Dist. T.O. and Climb 50' - - - - - 1100 ft  
Dist. Land From 50' - - - - - 1900 ft

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PROGRAM DATA

	SCHEDULE (29 A/O)														
	1956					1957									
	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov
Photo	1	-	1	1	2	2		2	2	1	2			1	
Research						1	1			1	1				1
Ferret							1			1	1			2	
H.R. Radar							1	1		1					
Sampler							1					2	3		

CONTRACTUAL STATUS

(AIRFRAME)

Letter Contract Awarded 30 Jan 56

Tentative Price -----\$22,423,355

Definitive Contract Negotiated 11 July 56

Target -----\$18,640,114

AIR FRAME

Air Frame (Unit - \$457,154) 29 a/o-----\$13,257,466  
 Sampling Mod (Unit - \$83,713) 6 a/o-----502,277  
 Spare Parts-----4,535,446  
 G.H.E.-----344,925

Total (Includes Profit 9 1/2%)-----\$18,640,114

SERVICES CONTRACT (TECH REPS, TRAINING, &  
 WAREHOUSE PEOPLE 78,000

EQUIPMENT

Sextant Contract-----\$ 464,212  
 View Finder, Tracker, Camera windows-----1,430,628  
 Cameras-----1,221,523  
 \* Systems I, III, & Ground Support Equip-----1,526,423  
 AN-36 Radar-----748,621  
 Photo Processing Equip-----1,220,449  
 Personal Equip-----345,126

Total (Includes spares, test equip, data  
 training, tech reps, factory overhaul  
 parts) \$ 7,589,059  
 6,956,982

DOES NOT INCLUDE ENGINE PROGRAM.

TOTAL FUNDS PRESENTLY REQUIRED FOR PROGRAM (Less GFAR)

Airframe & Services-----18,718,114  
 Equipment-----18,640,114  
 7,589,059  
 6,956,982  
 25,675,096

Above prices are for follow-on Program and do not include development  
 costs picked up on initial procurement.

\* PRICE OF SYSTEM IV WILL BE NEGOTIATED AFTER  
 DEVELOPMENT IS COMPLETE.

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EQUIPMENT CHART

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>PHOTO</u>	<u>RESEARCH</u>	<u>FERRIT</u>	<u>H.R.R.</u>	<u>SAMPLER</u>
Driftsight	X	X	X	X	X
Sextant	X		X	X	X
Tracker Camera	X		X	X	X
A1 Camera	X				
A2 Camera	X				
B Camera	X				
C Camera	X				
APQ - 56				X	
Radar			X	X	
System I	X		X	X	
System III A	X		X	X	
System IV			X		

STATUS OF EQUIPMENT

**DRIFTSIGHT** - Operational, On Firm Contract

Delivery Begins Oct 56

SUPPLIED TO DEC

**SEXTANT** - Operational, On Firm Contract

Delivery Begins Oct 56

**TRACKER CAMERA** - Operational, On Firm Contract

Delivery begins ~~Jan 57~~

SUPPLIED TO JAN 57.

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A1 and A2 CAMERAS - Operational on Firm Contract  
Delivery begins <sup>AN</sup> Dec 56

B CAMERA - Undergoing additional testing Operational only on  
Risk Basis (40 to 60% effective) on firm contract  
Delivery begins Feb 57

C CAMERA - Under development <sup>FLIGHT DEC 57</sup>  
1st test ~~due~~ test Oct ~~56~~  
UNDERGOING ADDITIONAL TESTING.

AFQ - 56 and RADAN presently undergoing testing. Units on contract  
delivery 1st Mar 57

RADAN for FERRET a/c - ~~Authorization to receive test equipment~~  
Attempting to install prior to a/c delivery.  
TIED IN WITH ASN-6 GPI. ASN-7 TO B  
INSTALLED WHEN AVAILABLE

SYSTEMS I and III - Operational, Contractor Manufacturing under  
Letter of Intent. ~~Plan for delivery Oct 56~~  
System I now being delivered. System III  
delivery begins ~~Nov~~ 56.  
<sup>AN DEC</sup>

SYSTEM IV - Still under development  
1st delivery for test approximately <sup>1 AN</sup> Mar 56.



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STATUS OF PRIME SUPPORT ITEMS

PHOTO PROCESSING EQUIPMENT - Units for 3 complete processing sites  
(9 $\frac{1}{2}$  and 70 mm) plus 2 additional 70mm sites are on firm contract.  
Available approximately March 57  
Contract-let for modification and check out of <sup>12</sup> Govt furnished A9

PROCESSING EQUIP FOR SYSTEMS I AND III - 3 complete sets being procured  
~~Contract negotiated, etc.~~ Tape Reproduction at site, Analysis  
at Offutt.

FUEL - Tests being conducted on special grade JP-1 MFG in accordance  
with WADC Spec. If successful, this fuel will be alternate to  
JP-1A. <sup>undecided whether to</sup> ~~continue to~~ <sup>continue to</sup> using JP-1A  
or switch to JP-1 (huge quantities  
required)

ENGINES - Joint Support

30 R-37 }  
20 RP-31A } 49 ~~at~~  
30 R-31A }

ATTENTION  
45 remain  
94 engines remain

CONTRACTOR OVERHAUL BEING UTILIZED

SPARE PARTS TO BE APPORTIONED

AMC & SAC <sup>officially</sup> requested add'l engines  
procurement 20 Nov 56.

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**MAINTENANCE**

**Normal SAC (Centralized Type)**

**Maintenance to be Utilised**

**Common Items - - To be repaired and replaced through normal  
Air Force system - Prime Depots**

**Peculiar Items - - Contractor Overhaul - Tech Rep Assistance in  
Field**

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SUPPLY AND SUPPORT

1. Depot set up at Maywood - Secure Warehouse

3 WRAMA people detached service  
Utilizing cleared contractor personnel  
Bins set up  
Stocks being received  
Established stock records

- ~~2. OPERATING & SUPPLY DIRECTIVES~~ ~~PUBLISHED~~ <sup>BUILT WITH (SAC ASSISTANCE)</sup>  
2. ~~Wing SIOE Published by AMO~~ <sup>USING</sup> ~~BEING~~ <sup>SCREENED BY SAC FOR</sup>  
~~REMAINING EQUIPMENT~~ <sup>REQUISITIONS TO BE ISSUED FOR</sup>  
3. ~~AFSD action taken on common items of Squadron SIOE and Depot~~ <sup>USING DRAGONFLY - PRIORITY 14 E</sup>  
~~support items. Equipment coming into Maywood~~

4. Flyaway kit listing published

~~SAC and WRAMA to build Flyaway Kite~~

5. Provisioning - (Based upon 30 day FAX and 360 day stock level)

Initial provisioning completed with all contractors. ~~etc~~

~~Now working scheduling for 5 Oct.~~ <sup>WRAMA DEPS APPROV. PREP. MFG.</sup>

6. Overhaul support review meeting <sup>HELD ON 26-27 OCT.</sup> ~~to be held in near future.~~ <sup>HAUNTON</sup>

7. ~~System set up to support first~~ <sup>NOW</sup> ~~aircraft.~~ <sup>100</sup> ~~FOR TRANSITION.~~  
~~FLYING 2 MINUTEMAN FLIGHT TRAINING WITH EQUIPMENT~~

8. Objective to have complete support by deployment date 1 July 1957. <sup>7</sup>

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**TRAINING**

1. Training of SAC personnel ~~being~~ contractually covered with each contractor.
  - A. Air Frame - <sup>2nd</sup> 1st class 12 students <sup>each</sup> Completed training, 91 total at Lockheed Aircraft Corp
  - B. Cameras - SAC and Nyeon have made firm arrangements - 7 people <sup>to train</sup> 1ST CLASS NOW IN PROGRESS
  - C. Driftsight and Tracker - ~~for~~ Perkins and Elmer. <sup>and</sup> ~~Make firm arrangements~~ 1ST CLASS NOW IN PROGRESS
  - D. Systems I and II <sup>1ST</sup> Class to start <sup>IN PROGRESS</sup> 15 Oct (18 students - 10 weeks)
  - E. Sextants - 1st class <sup>COMPLETED TRAINING AT BAIRD</sup> to start 15 Oct.
  - F. Pressure Suits - Arrangements made to train 3 people <sup>HAVE BEEN</sup> TRAINED AT [REDACTED] 25X1A5a2
  - G. Autopilot - Technicians will receive OJT at site on auto pilot difference
  - H. engine - <sup>37</sup> ~~plane~~ using trained engine mechanics - Receive add'l OJT.
2. Pilot training and checkout <sup>being</sup> ~~is~~ conducted at site.  
~~from 2nd class~~

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ON SCHEDULE  
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**CAMERA CONFIGURATION CHARACTERISTICS**

CONFIGURATION	A1		A2	B		C			TRACKER
				M1	M2	M1	M2	M3	
Mission Purpose	Mapping and Medium Scale Mil Industrial Intell		Medium Scale Mil Indust Intell	Medium Scale Military Indust Intell		Spotting Camera Mil Indust Intell			a/c course Identif and Intell
Uses of Information	Maps for location and Identif of Ind Install		Identif of Indust Install	Ident and Anal of Install for Technical and econ info		Detail Analysis of Install			Analysis of terrain and Install
No of Cameras and focal length	3-6"	1-24"	3-24"	1-36"		1-180"			_____
Range Photo Flightline Miles	3000 Stereo	1080 Stereo	3,250 Stereo	1,700 or 2,800 Stereo		500 Stereo spot photos 1300 singleline 1750 double line			4500 miles
Area coverage vertical photo	20x20 miles	5x10 miles	5x10 miles	6.5 x 6.5 miles		1x1 mile			
Size of Print	9"x9" 9"x24"		9"x18"	18"x18"					2 3/8"x 9 1/2"
Ground Scale Vertical Photo									25X1D0e
Ground Resolution Vertical Photo									25X1D0e
Weight with Film	339 lbs		336 lbs	430 lbs					55 lbs

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PROBLEM AREAS

GENERAL PROBLEMS

1. SECURITY
2. LACK OF OPERATIONAL CONCEPT
3. LACK OF OPERATING BASE
- ~~4. DEFICIT IN INITIAL OPERATION. LACK OF AIRCRAFT~~
5. NORMAL TENDENCY TO CHANGE AIRCRAFT AND/OR ADD EQUIPMENT
6. USE OF SPECIALLY DEVELOPED EQUIPMENT IN OTHER AIRCRAFT

~~GENERAL PROBLEMS~~

- ~~1. DEFICIENCY OF RADAR IN FRONT TERRAINS~~

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